

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

✓ Change "Half Circle Window Shutter/Blind" to –Half Circle Window Shutter–

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (once amended) A shutter for a semi-circular window having an arched wall comprising:

a top having a top rear, a rear edge and a top support affixed to said top rear;

a plurality of slats having a top end and a bottom end;

a base slat support affixed to a baseboard;

[a baseboard;]

a plurality of springs;

a plurality of first securement devices;

a plurality of second securement devices;

wherein, said plurality of top ends are affixed to said top support by [a] said plurality of first securement devices; and wherein, said plurality of springs are affixed between said plurality of bottom ends and said base slat support by [a] said plurality of second securement devices[.]; and wherein an area of the top rear is adapted for covering a gap between said rear edge and said arched wall.

2. (once amended) The shutter of claim 1 further comprising a base front affixed to said base slat support and adapted for minimizing light leakage at the bottom ends of said slats.

3. (once amended) The shutter of claim 1 further comprising a base rear affixed to said base slat

support.

4. (once amended) The shutter of claim 1 further comprising a stiffener[.] placed between said base slat support and said baseboard so that the ends of said base slat support will go over the ends of said stiffener; and
wherein, said stiffener prevents warping of said baseboard.

5. (once amended) The shutter of claim 1 wherein each of said [The] slats [of claim further comprising] comprises a first ridge and a second ridge[.] wherein when said slats are in a closed position said first ridge of a slat will engage said second ridge of an adjacent slat.

6. (once amended) The shutter of claim 1 wherein said [The] first securement devices [of claim 1 comprising] and said second securement devices comprise screws.

7. (once amended) The shutter of claim 1 wherein said [The] first securement devices [of claim 1 comprising] and said second securement devices comprise one of the following; nails, dowels, bolts or rods.

8. (once amended) The shutter of claim 1 further comprising a plurality of joints made from folded metal wherein said top rear is fixedly engaged to said top support by said joints.

9. (once amended) A shutter for a semi-circular window comprising:

a top having a top rear, a top front and a top support affixed to said top rear;

a plurality of slats each of said slats having a top end, a bottom end, a first ridge and a second ridge;

a base slat support;

a split baseboard having a first baseboard section and a second baseboard section;

a plurality of springs;

a plurality of first securement devices ;

a plurality of second securement devices;

a base front affixed to said base slat support;

a base rear affixed to said base slat support;

✓ a stiffener fixedly engaged to said baseboard and positioned within said base slat support;

wherein, each of said [plurality of] top ends are affixed to said top support by [a] said plurality of first securement devices ;

wherein, each of said [plurality of screws] springs are affixed beneath said base slat support and engaged with said second securement [device] devices so that upward force is exerted on said slats; [and]

wherein, said first ridge of one of said slats engages the second ridge of the adjacent slat[.];

wherein said stiffener and said base slat support fit between said first baseboard section and said second baseboard section.

10.(once amended) The shutter of claim 9 wherein said [The] first securement devices [of claim 9

comprising] and said second securement devices comprise screws.

11. (once amended) The shutter of claim 9 wherein said [The] first securement devices [of claim 9 comprising] and said second securement devices comprise one of the following; nails, dowels, bolts or rods.

12. (once amended) The shutter of claim 9 further comprising a plurality of joints made from folded metal wherein said top rear is fixedly engaged to said top support by said joints ..

Remarks

1. Drawings.

a. **Examiner.** The examiner objected to the drawings because “(VIEW 7-7)” is superfluous. The examiner objected to the cross sectional shading of figure 7.

b. **Response.** A proposed drawing correction has been submitted that deletes “(VIEW 7-7)” and which shows cross sectional shading for a section of synthetic resin or plastic.

2. Specification

a. **Examiner.** The examiner objected to the title of the invention because it is not clear what words the “/” represents.

b. **Response.** The specification has been amended to change “Half Circle Window Shutter/Blind” to –Half Circle Window Shutter–